

METHODS AND DEVICES FOR REDUCING TOTAL BANDWIDTH  
WHEN STREAMING MULTIPLE MEDIA STREAMS

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

5           Methods and devices for streaming multiple media streams are  
described. A plurality of media streams is received. A media stream is  
selected. In one implementation, a service is performed on each of the media  
streams except for the selected media stream. The service reduces the  
respective bandwidth of each media stream (except for the selected media  
10 stream) so that the total bandwidth of the media streams is reduced. The  
media streams including the selected media stream are then streamed to their  
destination. The media streams other than the selected media stream are  
streamed at less than their initial bandwidth, while the selected media stream  
is streamed at its initial bandwidth.

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